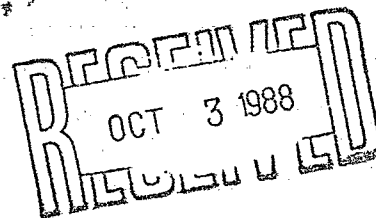


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Dear Mr. McAllister:

I have been chosen chairman of the first biennial FASEB (Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology) Conference on "Cellular and Molecular Studies in Bone Marrow Transplantation" to be held July 16-21, 1989 at the Vermont Academy, Saxtons River, Vermont. The FASEB Conferences, like the Gordon Conferences, bring 50 to 150 researchers together for intense scientific discussion over a five day period. Each conference focuses on nine carefully selected topics in the most promising and exciting areas in that research field. Dr. Steven Burakoff, Professor of Pediatrics at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA will be the vice-chairperson for this Conference. I am writing to you at this time to ask whether the Council for Tobacco Research would be interested in helping to provide partial financial support for the Conference.

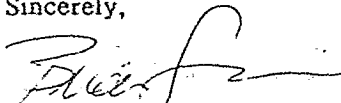
The Conference on Bone Marrow Transplantation will deal with our current level of knowledge about the cellular and molecular biology of transplantation: the pathobiology of immune and hematopoietic recovery post transplantation, the basis of graft versus host disease and graft rejection, regulation of human hematopoiesis, the biology of the major histocompatibility complex, and the state of the art of gene transfer therapy. The overall goal of the meeting will be to not only present cutting-edge data on basic studies in marrow transplantation but also to provide a unique forum for the interaction of investigators from several basic and applied disciplines related to transplantation in order to encourage new ideas for further studies that may represent a synthesis of several investigative fields. Recent progress in marrow transplantation research has been explosive and the time from the discovery of new information to its clinical application has been gratifyingly short. I have enclosed a tentative program of the meeting to give you a more precise appreciation for the high quality multidisciplinary meeting that this will be. Both the speakers and the other participants in this conference will be individuals involved in basic research in these exciting areas as well as often being at the advancing edge of clinical applications.

I am trying to raise funds for the partial support of participants' travel and meeting expenses. The room, board, and registration costs for the week-long meeting are being maintained at an estimated modest \$325 per person; travel expenses will range from approximately \$200 for some East Coast participants to up to \$650 for participants from the West Coast. The average total cost will be approximately \$750 per participant. With these considerations in mind, I am writing to inquire about a possible financial contribution from Council for Tobacco Research. We wish to support senior invited speakers as well as several junior investigators. The latter promising young investigators, who might not otherwise be able to attend, represent the new generation who will be making significant advances in this and other fields in the coming decades. Attendance at the conference is limited to 155. The Conference will be well advertised by FASEB and there is already quite marked preliminary interest that has already been invoked by simple word of mouth. We expect a very large number of applications for the conference.

If you would like more details about the meeting please feel free to contact me at 203-785-2446. The vice-chairperson, Steve Burakoff, can also be contacted at 617-732-3564.

Both of us, as well as the other conferees, will greatly appreciate any financial help that you can give. If the Council would be interested in helping support the Conference, please let me know and I will, of course, be happy to complete any necessary application or other forms. We thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Brian R. Smith', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Enclosure